

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (Previously Presented). A synergistic inhibitor composition of *Helicobacter pylori* adhesion in the gastrointestinal tract of a mammal, consisting essentially of (1) IgY antibodies obtained from at least one chicken egg laid by a hen which has been immunized with an antigenically effective amount of an isolated *Helicobacter pylori* urease, wherein said IgY antibodies are capable of specifically binding to the adhesion portion of *Helicobacter pylori* urease in the gastrointestinal tract of the mammal, and (2) at least one agent selected from H₂ blockers and proton pump inhibitors.

Claim 2 (Original). The inhibitor composition according to Claim 1, wherein the IgY antibodies are isolated and purified antibodies.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended). A pharmaceutical composition for preventing and/or treating a disease caused by or associated with *Helicobacter pylori* in a mammal, consisting essentially of:

a pharmaceutically effective amount of a synergistic inhibitor composition consisting essentially of (1) IgY antibodies obtained from at least one chicken egg laid by a

hen which has been immunized with an antigenically effective amount of an isolated *Helicobacter pylori* urease, wherein said IgY antibodies are capable of specifically binding to the adhesion portion of *Helicobacter pylori* urease in the gastrointestinal tract of the mammal, and (2) at least one agent selected from H₂ blockers and proton pump inhibitors; and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

Claim 4 (Original). The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 3, wherein the IgY antibodies are isolated and purified antibodies.

Claims 5 and 6 (Canceled).

Claim 7 (Previously Presented). The inhibitor composition according to Claim 1, wherein the mammal is a human.

Claim 8 (Previously Presented). The pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 3, wherein the mammal is a human.